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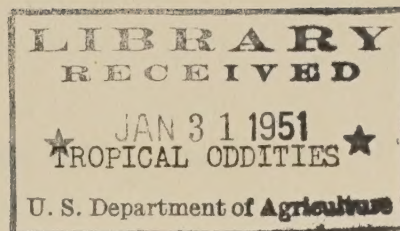


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GUIDED EXCURSIONS  
TO BEAUTIFUL  
ORCHIDLANDS



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This list is for those who like tropical plants and want nice specimens of rare plants, for the house in winter and outdoors in summer. This enterprise is operated by people long familiar with tropical plants from around the world.

It is difficult to publish a permanent list of orchids and other rare plants because new things are always being discovered. These plants come from remote places and often high water, snakes, alligators and other hazards interfere with prompt delivery but when slow in filling an order we put in an extra, beside the surprise in every package.

The price indicates rarity of the subject of the difficulty of obtaining it. All prices indicate bare root unless otherwise stated. Orchids and Bromeliads do much better if taken on wood.

We quote special prices to schools, museums and dealers. No order for less than \$1.00 will be accepted. All orders postpaid east of the Mississippi River unless otherwise stated. Add 10% west of Mississippi. Packing guaranteed. All plants are blooming size and taken by permit. None are taken from the Everglades Park area. Please let us know what you think of your plants immediately upon receipt, especially if you have a complaint.

Orchids and many other plants from the "Big Cypress" region of the "Deep" Everglades usually have a gray or whitish growth on them which is merely tropical lichens and absolutely harmless.

Please read this bulletin carefully - many people don't and it causes extra correspondence. C. O. D. costs you more.

The culture of these plants is simple and of necessity our instructions are simple and to the point. In shipping plants everywhere we cannot state anything but a general and accepted practice. Though orchids and Bromeliads are tough plants and take much punishment they react differently in different places. You must find the proper location on your premises, then hands off.

Books on this subject are expensive and usually highly technical. We are preparing one in everyday language for beginners, amateurs and even experts will be interested because in part it will give interesting tales of plant collecting. If interested let us know. It will help in judging the number of volumes to be published. One of the best books for indoor gardeners, winter or summer, is Jean Hersey's beautifully illustrated and very interesting "Garden In Your Window". The chapters on orchids are especially good. Mrs. Hersey really tells how to handle plants indoors and out and where to get them. Send \$3.00 for a fine book.

The old theory that it is difficult to grow orchids is exploded and there is no reason why you should do without them! There are so many types that one may enjoy them all year round - indoors and outside - at very little cost. At first you can try your hand on the inexpensive wild varieties, which we can supply in abundance. Among our customers are beginners, amateurs, professionals, advanced collectors and the most exacting connoisseurs. For the latter we advise getting on our "special" list as there are new varieties discovered and imported quite often.

ORCHIDS TERRESTRIAL

Terrestrial orchids grow in soil especially leaf mold and compost. The vanillas should be rooted or grown loosely packed. Use any or all of the following - best to mix two or three items, your choice - sphagnum, excelsior, dead leaves, leaf mold, compost, osmunda screenings, etc. Many terrestrial orchids grow as far north as Canada and Greenland but usually in damp places but hard to transplant. Our other terrestrials should be grown in compost and started in shade but as bloom spike appears gradually move to sun or very strong light.

Vanilla planifolia (fragrans). Vanilla extract comes from this orchid. Flowers 3 to 4 in. greenish yellow, fragrant. Plant vine like, large thick leaves. \$1.00 per cutting of at least 2 eyes.

Vanilla phaenantha. A beautiful, heavy vine type orchid. Very rare - don't send money - get on waiting list.

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*Vanilla articulata* (barbellata) - Leafless vine orchid, flowers white, purple and yellow, fragrant - cuttings - at least 3 eyes \$1.00.  
*Vanilla grandiflora*, best of all-rooted cuttings \$1.50.  
*Bletia tuberosa* - Lovely, palm leaf orchid with multiplying bulbs and loose panicles of many lavender blossoms on tall stems. After bloom rest bulbs. Bulbs .25¢ each or 5 for \$1.00.  
*Eulophia alta* (platypus altus) - Though *Bletia* is beautiful this one is best. Many reddish purple flowers in racemes on tall erect stems. Bulbs .30¢ each - 5 for 1.25.  
*Calapagon puchellis* - Many lovely lavender flowers on spikes in spring. Bulbs .30¢ each or 5 for \$1.25.

#### ORCHIDS - EPIPHYTIC

Epiphytic plants grow on trees, logs and rocks with aerial or exposed roots. If bought growing on wood or tussock they are much easier to handle. If bare root pot in rotten wood, fern root or other loose material with charcoal and broken pottery in the bottom of the pot. Quick drainage is necessary. Use heavy material for heavy rooted plants and fine material for fine rooted plants. Water by fine spray and keep plants in humid atmosphere. Some of these plants like more light than others but the light or sun in your locality is the determining factor.

There are two recent books on orchids that are really good. We rarely recommend a strictly orchid book. These however, are different and to the point. The lovely pictures in these books may excite you but take it easy. Read them and be prepared. "ABC of Orchid Growing" by Dr. Watkins \$3.00 and "Orchids Are Easy To Grow" by Logan and Casper, a really complete and colorfully illustrated book for non commercial growers, \$6.00.

These inexpensive native plants grow just like the fancy, large flowered type and so they are best for beginners. After learning there is little gamble in buying the more expensive type. Our plants are also interesting to collectors and dealers. People are really going for orchids. Many orchids do not look good when out of season or dormant, but that is the best time for shipping. Don't throw away a dead looking plant if the roots are alive.

*Cyrtopodium punctatum* (A curved foot that punctures). Bull's horn or cigar orchid. A mammoth of the orchid family, most robust and easy to grow orchid native to the United States - South Florida only. A real spray orchid with long spreading panicles of yellow, black and brown spotted blossoms, very showy even when not in bloom with large bulbs and palm like leaves. January to April.

Small.....	\$2.00	On rotten wood	\$3.00
Medium.....	3.00	" " "	4.00
Large.....	8.00	On rotten wood	\$10.00 express collect.
Extra large.....	15.00	" solid "	25.00 " "

*Epidendrum tampense* - We can't say enough for this rugged "spunky" ready blooming plant. The best for beginners and it wins the admiration of all orchidists. Takes punishment, may bloom anytime, will stand cold and some freezing. Small fragrant, yellowish green flowers with white and purple lips. Many blossoms in loose sprays which are good as cut flowers or corsages. Do not remove old bulbs until plant is established.

5 to 8 strong bulbs.....	.75¢	On wood.....	1.00
8 to 12 strong bulbs.....	1.50	" " .....	2.00
Extra large plant, many bulbs.	5.00	" " .....	7.00

*Epidendrum cochleatum* (var. triandrum) - Found only in South Florida. Lovely and easy to grow with attractive bulbs and foliage. May bloom anytime with small blackish purple, shell like flowers in short sprays. Especially nice on tussock or wood.

Small 4 to 6 bulbs.....	1.00	On tussock or wood.....	1.50
Medium 8 to 12 bulbs.....	1.50	" " " " .....	2.00
Large 12 or more bulbs.....	3.00	" " " " .....	4.00

*Epidendrum difforme* - Gentlemen's orchid - fine for boutonniere. Very attractive, running orchid with rich green succulent leaves and many lovely greenish white flowers in clusters at the stem ends. May bloom anytime.

At least 3 nice stems.....	.50	On tussock or wood.....	.75
Medium.....	.75	" " " " .....	1.00
Large.....	1.25	" " " " .....	1.50

*Epidendrum rigidum* - For beginners and collectors. Much like *difforme* with many stems and roots standing away from the wood. Not found in many places but very luxuriant where found. Price same as *difforme*.

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- Epidendrum nocturnum* - One of our best with long stems and many roots. Very attractive when in leaf and bloom. Largest flowers of any native. Sepals and petals yellow, lip white with yellow spot. Very odd shaped and fragrant at night. Likes shade but strong light and humid atmosphere. As with *E. anceps* and different from most orchids they will often bloom more than once on the old stems so do not remove until completely dead.
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| 3 to 5 stems..... | 1.00 | On wood or bark..... | 1.50 |
| 5 to 8 stems..... | 2.00 | " " " " .....        | 2.50 |
| Large.....        | 4.00 | " " " " .....        | 5.00 |
- Epidendrum anceps* - Next to *Cyrtopodium* our showiest orchid plant with many small yellow blossoms in heads. Much better on wood. Shade and humid contition necessary. Another good boutonniere orchid.
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|------------|------|-------------|------|------------|------|
| Small..... | 1.00 | Medium..... | 2.00 | Large..... | 4.00 |
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- Epidendrum Boothianum* - small, odd, hard to get. Graceful narrow leaves and compace bulbs. They look like a stack of green nickels that fell over. Mixed color of sepals and petals green and yellow. March to February.
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| 4 to 6 bulbs..... | 1.00 | 8 to 10 bulbs..... | 1.50 |
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- Polystachya luteola* (minuta) - Small attractive plant, graceful leaves and many small flowers in terminal panicle, white turning yellow. March to November. Every-one should have this.
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|------------|-----|-------------|-----|------------|------|
| Small..... | 50¢ | Medium..... | 75¢ | Large..... | 1.00 |
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- On wood or bark add .25¢
- Polyrrhiza lindenii* - A real oddity. No leaves or stems, only roots and large pure white blooms. Every collector should have one. An excellent house plant if kept in humid condition. Spring, summer and fall.
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| Bare root..... | 50¢ | On wood..... | 2.00 |
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- Pleurothallis gelida* - A beautiful plant with odd fragrant blossoms in winter. From the deepest swamps. Collector's item and attractive house plant. Each leaf a separate orchid but sent in clusters of 3 or more mature leaves. Much in demand and hard to get. \$2.00 per cluster.

Remember all these epiphytic orchids except *Polyrrhiza* can be divided so a medium or large plant gives smaller ones if you care to divide.

Special Offer - SIX blooming size plants of the above orchids for only \$4.45 plus 10% postage west of the Mississippi.

#### BROMELIADS

Among the most attractive of house plants especially if taken on wood. May bloom at any time and easier to grow than orchids. If the old plant dies leave as is for awhile. They sucker at the base. Most attractive plants for porch and outdoors in summer. For something different go in for these plants along with orchids. All Bromeliads are easy to grow from suckers or seed. The small plants on twigs are dandy for dish gardens and terrariums.

Bromeliads belong to the pineapple family and most are epiphytes growing like and along with orchids. Our *Tillandsias* with lovely blooms are a branch of the Bromeliads. They should be grown much the same as orchids. If bare root pot in loose material such as dead leaves or rotten wood mixed with sand. Water sparingly but keep in humid atmosphere with water always i n leaf cups.

- Tillandsia fasciculata* - Most popular - large gray-green, stiff foliage with beautiful red flower bracts and blue flowers along the side.
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| Large.....           | .75  | On wood or bark ..... | 1.00 |
| Specimen plants..... | 1.50 | " " " " .....         | 2.00 |
- Baby plants for dish gardens 1.00 per dozen.

*Tillandsia utriculata* - Grow to be giants with long, soft, curly leaves and very long bloom spikes.

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| Small..... | 1.00 | Medium (a large plant)... | 2.50 | Large..... | 5.00 |
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- Tillandsia tenuifolia* - Very attractive, easy to handle, leaves grasslike. Good in baskets and dish gardens. .25¢ each - on wood .35¢.
- Tillandsia circinata* (Silver Queen) - small attractive plants - excellent for dish gardens and other make ups. On twigs or small branches .25¢.
- Tillandsia Balbasiana* - Prettiest of all with its long, graceful curly leaves and lovely blooms - .50¢ each - On wood or twig .60¢.
- Tillandsia aloifolia* - corkscrew shape, stripped curly leaves. A toss up between this and *Balbasiana* as to which is prettiest, - .50¢ each - On wood or twig 60¢
- Tillandsia Valenzuelana* - Soft and sometime pink foliage with branching bloom. .50¢ each - On wood .60¢.

Special Offer - EIGHT nice plants and a surprise all for \$2.75 plus 10% postage west of the Mississippi.

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## FERNS

Dr. John K. Small called Florida the "Fern State". He found 107 species growing wild. We deal only in those that are exotic to most of the United States and that can be easily shipped.

*Vittaria Lineata* - grass or beard fern. Rare and found growing on sabal palms in remote places. Rich green drooping foliage. Excellent in baskets.

Small trial plants.....25¢ Medium.....50¢ Large.....1.00

*Psilotum nudum* (maked fern) - One of the rarest of ferns in this country. Found in the United States only in the Everglades and one or two other remote places. Related to the club moss family and looks more like a sprig of cypress than fern. Pot shallow in soil or leaf mold with compost. Bare root .50¢ per clump of 20 or more main stems.

*Campyloneuron phyllitidis* - strap fern - looks like bird's nest fern. Long light green foliage. Few people have ever seen it. From the deep "Big Cypress" swamps.

Nice plants on tussocks 12 to 15 in....1.00 Larger plants 1.50

Nice plants on tussocks 3 for .....2.75 Larger 3 for..4.00

*Asplenium serratum* - Our native bird's nest fern and very rare with deep green ornamental, glossy foliage. Our most attractive native fern and easy to grow. Shade and plenty of water. If a fern lover don't miss this one.

12 to 15 in. plants.....1.00 Medium.....1.50 Large.....2.00

*Phlebodium aureum* - hare's foot or golden fern. Another rarity with long indented fronds. The large partly exposed stems sprout quickly. Pot in leaf mold and keep well watered. Excellent in baskets or pots. Large stems ready to sprout.25¢ each. - 5 for \$1.00.

*Polypodium incanum* - the true resurrection fern, curls up when dry but comes to life when moist. Beautiful on tussocks placed in a bowl.

Nice clumps on tussock 5 leaves....10¢ - 15 leaves.....25¢

Large.....50¢ and .75¢. This is not the desert fern.

All the above should be planted in leaf mold or like material - shade and much water.

*Acrostichum daneafolium* - Giant or leather fern, the largest of American ferns and in places grows 10 or more feet tall. A beauty with glossy green leaves.

From wet places. Wants rich soil, sun and much water. 12 to 15 in. plants 1.00 - larger 1.50.

Special Offer - EIGHT nice ferns for only 3.75 plus 10% postage west of the Mississippi.

## OTHER

One of the most beautiful and exotic sights to a plant lover is her or his first entrance into a "cypress dome" or swamp of the deep Everglades. At first sparse, the growth gradually becomes more dense, then suddenly one steps into a low area (which in wet times would require a boat or deep wading). The limbs of the trees are covered with plant life, the abundance of each item depending upon the particular swamp. There will be orchids in variety, some rare and hard to spot, air plants or bromeliads, ferns, moss and lichens. If you have been very quiet you will see much bird and animal life. Yes, alligators. If noisy all fade from sight and leave you alone in a beautiful but silent cathedral.

The most attractive item one could have in greenhouse or solarium would be a limb from one of these trees, cut with all its plant life thriving. You may have specimens 2 to 4 inches in diameter at \$2.50 per foot up to 10 feet. Special instructions with order. Express F.O.B. Hialeah, Fla. This is one of our best sellers.

The giant cypress trees grow in and about swamps. Since their roots are usually covered with water they send up "breathers" or "knees". There are no two knees alike and they take every shape imaginable. The solid type can be made into pots, vases, bird houses and many other useful things. Full instructions with order. The very odd filigree type are used with flower arrangements and in other ornamental ways. Odd non solid types are .50¢ - .75¢ and 1.00 postpaid. Solid types 8 to 10 inches .50¢ - 10 to 15 inches 1.00 - 15 to 24 or more inches 1.50 F.O.B. Miami Springs. West of Mississippi add 10% for postage.

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